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In case you did not know (as I did not, until recently), LEXIS/NEXIS has a library called APOLIT, which stands for the Associated Press Political Service. It contains information on election campaigns, political issues and events influencing elections, including information on candidates' positions, congressional ratings and historical data such as biographical info on candidates.

There is also a library called REFSRV (for Reference Service), which contains a file called BLCAST (for bill forecasts). It lists bills pending in the House and Senate and provides statistical odds for passage of a bill in committee and on the floor; it has a 94% rate of accuracy. Used in conjunction with LEGISLATE, this could be a handy tool.

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